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BURY, 9th Auguſt, 1794.

AT a Meeting of the Grand Juries for the County of Suffolk, convened by CHARLES PURVIS, Eſq. Sheriff, for taking into conſideration the preſent very heavy expence that attends executing the Office of Sheriff for the ſaid County, and for adopting ſome regulations to leſſen ſuch expence in future, the following reſolutions were unanimouſly approved and agreed upon, and were ordered to be ſubmitted to the conſideration of all the Gentlemen of the ſaid county, by the publication of them, ſigned by the Foremen, in the county papers.

1ſt. That it is the opinion of this meeting that the emoluments ariſing from the office of Under Sheriff, would, if only Two perſons were alternately appointed to that office, be a ſufficient recompence, without any ſalary, whereby a conſiderable expence would be avoided; and this mode of executing the office, having been propoſed to Mr. William Pearſon, for himſelf, and Mr. Edward Haſell, and accepted, the members of this meeting do hereby ſtrongly recommend to future Sheriffs of the ſaid county, to appoint the above-named Mr. Edward Haſell, and Mr. William Pearſon, to the office of Under Sheriff, but without any ſalary, other than the emoluments ariſing from the ſaid office, for executing the ſame.

2d. That it appears to this meeting unneceſſary that each Sheriff ſhould ſupply the Bailiffs and Javelin Men with Liveries, Javelins, Hats and Stockings; but that a new livery in the courſe of every Five years would anſwer all purpoſes of decency and appearance. It is therefore propoſed, that the above-mentioned Mr. Edward Haſell and Mr. William Pearſon, be directed to cauſe ſuch a livery to be made up, as may be determined upon for the enſuing year, 1795; and that the Sheriff of the ſaid year 1795, and his ſucceſſors for Three years following, do pay each half the expence thereof, ſo that a ſufficient fund may accumulate in the hands of the Under Sheriff, to defray the expence of future liveries, javelins, &c. which, with the addition of 20l. to be paid by every Sheriff, to the Under Sheriff, after the year 1798, will amply furniſh ſuch liveries, &c. which are always to be of the ſame colour and facings, and to be called and conſidered as the County Livery; and to conſiſt of coats, waiſtcoats, hats, ſtockings and javelins, and all other articles which the Committee, this day appointed, ſhall deem proper and expedient.

3d. That the Sheriff for the time being, be empowered to convene a committee, to conſider of any further regulations, and to enquire into any impoſitions, unneceſſary fees and charges, which have gradually crept into his office, at any time or place he may deem proper; and that their proceedings be ſubmitted to the reviſal of the General Committee, to be held at the Angel Inn, Bury, at Two o'clock, on the ſecond day of the Lent and Summer Aſſizes.

4th. That the Committee do conſiſt of the Gentlemen now compoſing, or who have at any time ſerved upon, the Two Grand Juries; and that they or any Five of them be a quorum.

5th. That the Under Sheriff be deſired to attend the Committee.

6th. That the Thanks of the Grand Juries be given to the Sheriff, for convening them upon a buſineſs of ſo much importance, and for his attendance and exertions upon the occaſion.

BRITISH MUSEUM

JOHN ROUS,

THOs. CHARLES BUNBURY.

WHITE HORSE, IPSWICH, 23d October, 1794.

AT a Meeting of Gentlemen who have ſerved on the Grand Juries for the County of Suffolk, held here This Day, purſuant to an adverti ſement by the High Sheriff, for adopting regulations to leſſen the expence that attends executing the office of Sheriff, the following reſolutions were agreed upon:

1ſt. To alter the Fourth Reſolution, paſſed at Bury St. Edmund's, on the 9th day of Auguſt laſt, and after the words, "or who have at any time ſerved," to inſert "or who ſhall hereafter at any time ſerve on the Grand Juries."

2d. That the Sheriff's ſeals of office be conſidered as ſufficient, without his being in future put to the unneceſſary expence of new ſeals annually; the future ſeals to be engraved on ſteel.

3d. That the Under Sheriff be directed to appoint a Marſhall, who ſhall provide himſelf with a handſome ſuit of blue cloth cloaths, with plain yellow metal buttons, a cock'd hat, with gold button and loop, a ſcarlet ſilk ſaſh, and truncheon; that he ſhall have a liſt of the Bailiffs and Javelin Men; that it be his office to ſee that they are all aſſembled on the day appointed, at the town where the Aſſizes are held; that he ſuperintend their conduct while on duty, and attend the Court, with ſuch a number of Bailiffs as may be thought neceſſary; that the Marſhall have a liſt of their names, and that he be particularly attentive to give in the names of thoſe Bailiffs, who either abſent themſelves from their duty in Court, or who miſbehave themſelves while there, to the Under Sheriff, who, in caſe of any neglect of duty, ſhall ſtop One day's pay, viz. 4s. and report them to the Sheriff: And that the Marſhall be allowed 10l. for both Aſſizes, be them long or ſhort, and that he continue in office ſo long as he gives ſatisfaction to the Sheriff and his Deputy.

4th. That the Liveries be of a dark blue cloth, ſcarlet cuffs, capes and welt pockets, with a waiſtcoat of ſcarlet agreeable to the pattern, white metal buttons, with the Sheriff's arms of office emboſſ'd, and over it a ſcroll, alſo emboſſ'd "Suffolk," and that at the end of Five years they become the property of the Bailiffs and Javelin Men, who have ſerved in that capacity.

5th. That there be only Twenty men in livery, Eighteen carrying javelins, and Two Trumpeters. As Thirteen are generally Bailiffs, that Twelve of them with the Trumpeters, be ready to attend the Judge, into and out of town. And in caſe of the abſence of any one or more of them, he or they do forfeit one or more days allowance, viz. 4s. according to the time of his or their abſence; and that a Javelin Man or Men, be put into his or their place or places, during the time of his or their abſence, and that the abſentee or abſentees do pay for the hire of a horſe each for his or their ſubſtitute or ſubſtitutes; and that it be recommended to the Sheriff, for the time being, to lay a complaint before the Judge for any neglect of duty on the part of the Bailiffs, and that they do ſign an agreement to the purport of this reſolution before they give bond; that they receive each for their expences 1l. 5s. for each aſſize, be it long or ſhort, and no other fee whatſoever, or is any other charge to be made on the Sheriff on their account. The above allowance to be excluſive of any attendance at executions.

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6th. That the Five hired Javelin Men be engaged in the town where the aſſizes are held, or very near to it, to avoid the charge of travelling expences and horſes; that they do attend the day the Judge come into town, and be diſcharged the day he leave it; that they be allowed 2s. 6d. per day during the time of their attendance, including the day the Judge come in and go out of town.

7th. That a perſon be appointed (the meſſenger if he be a perſon to be depended upon) who ſhall have a liſt of thoſe Bailiffs and Javelin Men, that are *not* appointed to attend the court; that it be his particular office to ſee that all, with the Trumpeters, attend the Sheriff's carriage on all occaſions, during the aſſizes; that he report any abſentees to the Under Sheriff, and that they do forfeit one day's pay or allowance whenever they are abſent, or miſbehave themſelves; the Bailiffs 4s.; the Javelin Men 2s. 6d.; and the perſon ſo appointed as ſuperintendent of the ſuite attending the Sheriff's carriage, do receive 10s. 6d. each aſſize, for his trouble, in addition to his allowance as a bailiff or meſſenger. But if the Sheriff or his deputy are of opinion he does not do his duty, he ſhall not only be diſcharged from his ſuperintendency, but ſhall loſe his office of meſſenger.

8th. That Liveries be given to the Gaolers, who ſhall be obliged to wear them, under the penalty of forfeiting the whole allowance at the Aſſizes; namely, 30s. for each man, at each Aſſize, which allowance, and no more, is to be made them, be the Aſſizes long or ſhort.

9th. That the Under Sheriff be directed to fix on permanent Trumpeters, to continue ſo long as they ſhall give ſatisfaction to the Sheriff and his Deputy; that they be allowed 1l. 10s. each, for each Aſſize, be it long or ſhort, and Five guineas in the whole, for both Aſſizes, for their fee as Trumpeters; that they return their liveries and ſaſhes to the Under Sheriff after each Aſſize, and that the liveries are to become their own property at the expiration of Five years.

10th. That the Two Trumpeters ſaſhes and banners be of ſcarlet ſilk; that on one ſide of the banners be painted the King's Arms, on the other ſide, the Sheriff's Arms of Office.

11th. That the banners, Trumpeters ſaſhes, javelins, hats, ſtockings, &c. be placed under the care of the Under Sheriff, who ſhall provide a cheſt for that purpoſe; that they be kept in the town where the Aſſizes are held, and that they be made no uſe of but at the Aſſizes to be held for this county.

12th. That no part of the above pageantry of office be made uſe of by future Sheriffs, unleſs they adopt the reſolutions entered into by the Grand Juries, at a meeting held at Bury, on the 9th of Auguſt, 1794, and all other reſolutions entered into by the General Committees.

13th. That the Under Sheriff be directed annually to ſend a copy of theſe Reſolutions as well as the Reſolutions entered into at Bury, to the Three Gentlemen who appear on the liſt to be nominated for the Office of Sheriff, and that they be requeſted to inform the Under Sheriff, as ſoon as they conveniently can, if it is their intention to adopt the Reſolutions, entered into by the Grand Juries for this

this County, that he may have ſufficient time to prepare every thing relating to the pageantry of the Office.

14th. That theſe Reſolutions by laid before the General Committee at the next Lent Aſſizes, at the Angel Inn, in Bury, for their approbation; and that it be recommended by this Meeting, to the Sheriff next appointed, to adopt theſe Reſolutions, and to ſtop all fees in the county, until the General Committee ſhall give their ſanction to the above Reſolutions.

C. PURVIS, High Sheriff.

ANGEL BURY, 26th March, 1795.

AT a Meeting of the Grand Juries for the County of Suffolk, held here This Day, for the further conſideration of the plan for leſſening the heavy expence that attends executing the Office of High Sheriff for this County.

It is Reſolved, That the Rules and Regulations brought forward and agreed upon at a Meeting convened by CHARLES PURVIS, Eſq. the late Worthy High Sheriff, and held at the White Horſe, in Ipſwich, on the 23d day of October laſt, be by this Meeting confirmed.

Alſo, That the Two Grand Juries of the County for the time being, ſhall be a ſtanding Committee to aſſiſt the High Sheriff in carrying the Rules into execution, and that the Sheriff be requeſted to call the ſaid Committee together on the ſecond day of each Aſſizes.

That the Reſolutions be printed and ſent to all the Gentlemen of the Grand Juries at theſe and future Aſſizes.

That the particular Thanks of this Meeting be given to Charles Purvis, Eſq. for his care and attention in carrying the plan into execution, and that Mr. Pearſon be deſired to communicate the above, as the unanimous Reſolution of this Committee.

JACOB WHITBREAD.

That the Thanks of this Meeting be given to the preſent High Sheriff, for adopting the plan, as recommended by the laſt Committee.

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